

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system for trading a photo mask includes
a purchase mediating section configured to exchange
information with a mask buyer through a network, and
5 a factory mediating section configured to exchange
information with a mask factory. The system also
includes a calculating section, a progress selecting
section, and a manufacture instructing section. The
calculating section calculates an estimated price and
10 an estimated delivery date of a mask product with
reference to line information about a manufacturing
line in the mask factory, and price information about
mask trading prices. The progress selecting section
transmits the estimated price and the estimated
15 delivery date to the mask buyer and allows the mask
buyer to select whether to proceed with manufacture of
the mask. The manufacture instructing section
transmits the mask manufacture order to the mask
factory, when proceeding with manufacture of the mask
20 is selected.